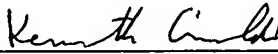


An fee of \$770 is believed to be due in connection with the submission of the Non-Provisional Patent Application that accompanies this Preliminary Amendment. No additional fees are believed to be due; however, if any such fees, including petition or extension fees, are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them, as well as to credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 18-1850.

Lastly, please associate the present application with Customer Number 21898.

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